1st.

The Town of New-Caſtle *upon* Tine *having Elected Sir* William Blacket, *Baronet*; *and Sir* Ralph Carr, *Knight. Their Burgeſſes; in the late Parliament, Diſſolved by his Majeſties Proclamation, bearing date the* 18th. *day of* January 1680. *Sir* William Blacket *had the honour of dying in that Service, upon which the ſaid Town Unanimouſly choſe their preſent Mayor* Nathaniel Johnſon *Eſq; who accordingly this laſt Seſſion of Parliament gave his attendance at* Weſtminſter, *and had the Honour of Knighthood Conferred on him by his Majeſty. Sir* Nathaniel's *Reſidence being at preſent in* London, *the ſaid Town of* New-Caſtle ſent him

The following Letter.

2. Feb. 1680

Sir,

WE receiving an Account from ſeveral hands of his Majeſties Declaration in Councel, to diſſolve this preſent Parliament (and call another in *March* next) had a general Meeting this Morning of the Aldermen, who came to this Reſolution as an acknowledgment of the good Service you have done the Corporation, to make it our requeſt to you and Sir *Ralph Carr*, that you would pleaſe to continue our Repreſentatives, and our Service and Endeavours ſhall be uſed herein, which we hope will be a means to preſerve Unity in this place, and avoid the great Diſorders formerly committed in theſe Affairs, and doubt not but the ſame will produce an Unanimous Election; So deſiring your ready Compliance herein, and your Anſwer to,

Sir, Your humble Servants,

Henry Maddiſon, Deputy Mayor.
Timothy Daviſon. *Ralph Jenniſon*.
New-Caſtle 22*d*. *Robert Roddam*. *Nicholas Fenwick*.
January 1680. *George Morton*.
Joſeph Bonner Sheriffe.